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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks:

In the Specification:

Please insert the sequence listing pages 1-57 at the end of the specification.

REMARKS

In response to the February 1, 2002 Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, Applicants submit herewith an initial computer readable form (CRF) copy of the "Sequence Listing," an initial paper copy of the "Sequence Listing," a petition for a one-month extension of time and required fee, and a statement that the content of the paper and computer readable copies are the same and include no new matter, in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.821-1.825. The specification has been amended to insert the sequence listing.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311, Attorney Reference No. 15966-554 CON-S14 (Cura-54 CON-S14). Should any questions or issues arise concerning this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

Respectfully submitted,

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